

Torrance, California
July 15, 1958

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL

The City Council of the City of Torrance convened in a regular meeting at 5:30 P.M. Tuesday, July 15, 1958, in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Torrance, California.

Those responding to roll call by City Clerk Bartlett were:
COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Bradford, Drale, Jahn, Isen. Councilman Blount arrived at 5:40 P.M. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Benstead.
City Manager Stevens and City Attorney Remelmeyer were also present.

At the request of Mayor Isen, Mr. Joseph Arnold led the salute to our Flag.

The Reverend Norman Schnaible, of the First Lutheran Church, opened the meeting with an invocation.

Councilman Jahn moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held July 8, 1958, as written.

Motion seconded by Councilman Bradford, no objections, so ordered.

HEARINGS:

Mayor Isen announced this was the time and place for the hearing on Resolution No. 3499, declaring that weeds growing upon certain private property in the city to be a public nuisance and providing for the abatement thereof. This was the second hearing on the subject.

Mayor Isen asked if anyone present wished to be heard, but there was no reply.

Councilman Jahn moved the Hearing be closed.

Motion seconded by Councilman Bradford, carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Bradford, Drale, Jahn, Isen. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Benstead, Blount.

Councilman Jahn moved all protests, if any, be denied.

Motion seconded by Councilman Bradford, carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Bradford, Drale, Jahn, Isen. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Benstead, Blount.

Councilman Jahn moved that the Street Superintendent and Carbohad Corporation, Inc., the contractor, and employees of said contractor, are hereby expressly authorized and directed to abate the nuisance located on the properties described in Resolutions No. 3496 and 3499 of the City Council of Torrance by having the weeds, rubbish, refuse and dirt referred to therein removed, and the said Street Superintendent, contractor and employees are hereby expressly authorized to enter upon said private property for said purpose.

Motion, seconded by Mayor Isen, no objections, so ordered.

Mayor Isen stated that Item Q-1 under Resolutions would be taken out of order and we would hear a report from Officer A. L. Jackson, Car Club Coordinator.

City Clerk Bartlett read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 3505

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE
COMMENDING PAUL GRUTSIS AND JIM AZZARO FOR WINNING
FIRST PLACE IN THE 5TH ANNUAL YOUTH SAFETY RUN
SPONSORED BY THE POLICE ADVISORY COUNCIL OF CAR CLUBS.

Mayor Isen asked the City Attorney to read Resolution No. 3505 in full.

Councilman Jahn moved for adoption of Resolution No. 3505.

Motion seconded by Councilman Bradford.

Councilman Blount arrived at 5:40 p.m.

Mayor Isen asked for information on the Car Clubs.

Officer A. L. Jackson, representing the City of Torrance, reported that the clubs are sponsored by the Police Advisory Council of Car Clubs. The clubs are operated similar to service clubs in Torrance, the major difference is that the car clubs are made up of teenage boys between the ages of 16 and 21. The 5th Annual Safety Run left Pomona on June 23 to Camp Curry in Yosemite where they stayed for routine reports, etc., returning to Pomona on June 25.

They were judged on top miles per gallon, ton mileage, safety rules, speed, and obeying traffic laws. Violators were penalized, and one boy was penalized for driving without shoes.

The Chevrolet Belair Mobilgas Run obtained top gas mileage of 18.68. The 1958 Biscayne obtained 20 miles per gallon. Torrance's 1958 Ford took first place out of 17 entries in the low price car class and met all requirements of obeying posted speed limits and safety rules.

Officer Jackson felt that this is one of the things that has cut juvenile delinquency by 60%. He introduced Paul Grutsis but Jim Azzaro was not able to be present.

Mayor Isen expressed his opinion that this is a fine project and all should be congratulated.

Motion carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Blount, Bradford, Draile, Jahn, Isen. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Benstead.

Mayor Isen said that Mr. Jackson will get a gold embellished award.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Resubmitted. Glen Airy Distributing Service, re license fees for distribution of advertising matter, with copy of memo from License Inspector giving comparison of fees with certain other cities.

2. Cover letter from S. E. Remelmeyer, City Attorney, submitting Ordinance regulating distribution of handbills or throw-away advertising (deferred from last week's Council meeting). a. FIRST READING repealing Section 16.57 and 16.58 of "The Code of the City of Torrance, 1954" relating to the distribution of handbills, religious literature and drugs and medicines, and substituting new provisions therefor relating to the same subjects and adding a new section to said code establishing license fees for distributing handbills. *See Minutes 7/2/58, page 1.*

Mayor Isen said that these two subjects being related would be discussed together, and asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to be heard.

Mr. William Barclay, 202 Via Anita, Hollywood Riviera, complained on the method by which this free advertising is distributed. It is promiscuously thrown onto the property. There is no method of control and in some cases creates litter in the gutters. This advertising matter pitched from a truck has damaged some plants and he personally has had to remove this advertising matter from planters and shrubbery and once from the roof. Neighbors and other residents in the area wonder why they have to suffer and why can't something be done to control this.

Councilman Beasley asked if he were referring to handbills and circulars thrown from cars, to which Mr. Barclay replied yes; from 8 to 9:30 in the evenings they have two or three teenage boys on the back of the truck pitching material as they drive by.

Mayor Isen said that this cuts license fee from \$50 a day to \$5.00 a day. How can we get enforcement?

Councilman Jahn said this ordinance doesn't cover handbills.

Mr. Remelmeyer said that these are not newspapers in the fine sense of the word.

Councilman Jahn called them news advertisers and this ordinance does not do anything about it.

Mayor Isen said that restrictions are like trying to enforce the leash law. Who is going to enforce the law of delivering to the door?

Mr. Remelmeyer felt that Mr. Whitacre could better explain it.

Mayor Isen pointed out that at one time our ordinance did not permit any handbills at all.

Mr. Remelmeyer said that an ordinance had been before the Council but they refused to pass it.

In response to a question, Deputy City Clerk Whitacre said he had reported to the Council that the proposed Ordinance would:

1: set fees for local merchants; and 2: provide for the manner in which the handbills are to be distributed. He requested that all

the rest of Paragraph 3 on Page 3 be struck from the record, and it was so ordered. ~~Minutes 7/12/58 Page 1)~~

~~has come in as an advertisement. They don't pay a fee. We recommend a fee for several reasons. Under the present ordinance, local merchants do not pay anything.~~

Mayor Isen pointed out that they pay taxes and should have it free.

Mr. Whitacre said that if that is the way the Council wants it, it is O.K. but they are our worst offenders. We have only one large paying commercial firm, Glen Airy Distributing Company. They have paid \$800 to the City already this year. They pass out the Sears & Roebuck advertising. We try to provide for the manner in which they are to be passed out. We have the License and Police Departments to enforce it. Handbills should be placed on the handle of the door, but it isn't being done. Under the present ordinance we have a loophole regarding advertising on vehicles. We have attempted to prohibit advertising matter in or on vehicles. Section 16.58 is as it is now in the present ordinance. 16.57.1 is basically the same. The main new thing is the fee, and how to pass them out and the definition of handbills.

Mr. R. J. Boomer, President, Glen Airy Distributing Service, Inc., said that the remark has been made tonight that these things have been thrown out promiscuously. He said that he has had 35 years in this business. He came out to Torrance and pays the \$50 a day license. It was called to their attention that they are violating the ordinance by throwing from a truck. They promised to take care of it from that standpoint. They now send three trucks and make every effort to get the material on the porch.

Mayor Isen said that material has never been on his porch; it has been in the back and in the front, but not on the porch.

Mr. Boomer said they make every possible effort. Their actual cost has gone up \$40 a day in an effort to take care of this situation. He pointed out that Mr. Whitacre agreed since their discussion there have been few complaints on the work they have done. This is a legitimate business, licensed in the Courts and Constitution of the United States. An effort has to be made to do the thing properly or you can't exist. The only time they put anything in automobiles is in a private lot when they can get permission from the owner of the lot. He has been in law courts and U. S. Court on this and have obtained rulings from the Supreme Court. He will be very glad to work with the Council or a committee to do something regarding this. In the matter of reducing the rate, Mr. Boomer felt the City would get more money from smaller rather than larger rate, as people sneak in or sneak out. He thought local men should have some restrictions.

Mayor Isen asked Mr. Boomer if he were objecting to the rate in Torrance, and Mr. Boomer replied that it is higher, and that he was objecting.

Mayor Isen thanked Mr. Boomer.

Councilman Drale asked are there any cities that use the mails for throw away or handbills, and Mr. Whitacre replied only Uncle Sam can control that.

Mr. Remelmeyer said that you can't prohibit people from sending handbills through the mail.

Mayor Isen reported numerous complaints are sent in from all over the city from time to time. Rather than tighten up, he thinks it is going to throw alot more litter over the city.

Councilman Jahn asked the City Attorney if it was his opinion that under the order a, b, and c, tightened up, is what the ordinance said. Mr. Remelmeyer replied yes.

Councilman Jahn: Do you feel, Mr. Whitacre, that with a \$25 license fee you can do a good job policing this ordinance?

Mr. Whitacre: ~~Mr. Jahn, in regard to the fee, we can do a terrific~~

Mr. Jahn, with the cooperation we receive from the

Police Department, we can do as good an enforcement job as we have the manpower to do." *(See minutes of 7/22/58, page 1)*

Councilman Jahn felt that if the ordinance were passed and we were not able to police the ordinance, it would place a burden and not do any good at all.

Mr. Whitacre said to enforce the hand bill ordinance it is impossible to enforce to that extent by the License Department.

Mayor Isen asked what the present License Ordinance does.

Mr. Whitacre replied that local merchants are exempt from paying a license fee.

Mayor Isen: When local merchants want to hire men to pass hand bills?

Mr. Whitacre: As long as one of their employees want to hand out, they are exempt from a fee.

Mayor Isen: That should be included in the ordinance.

Councilman Bradford: Local merchants should dress up their way of handing out bills, too.

Mayor Isen: I agree that they should be policed and controlled and not constitute litter.

Councilman Beasley disagreed with Mr. Boomer on one thing. He has a long porch and anything thrown on it would stay there. Morning after morning he has picked up a Sears-Roebuck bulletin off the driveway, soaked with dew.

Mayor Isen said he wanted to ask another gentleman to come forward who wished to be heard.

Mr. Bob Boomer, of Torrance, said he was Mr. R. J. Boomer's son; as a resident he would rather the local merchants be able to contact legitimate organizations that would control distribution than the alternate of hiring a bunch of kids they have no control over.

Mayor Isen asked Mr. Boomer if he did business in Torrance and Mr. Boomer replied that he worked on the outskirts.

Councilman Jahn asked if the ordinance and amendment passed, would that affect the merchants?

Mr. Whitacre replied that local merchants do not pay license fees when distributing handbills.

Councilman Jahn wished to have the ordinance and amendment adopted and Mayor Isen suggested this be put off until next week.

Councilman Jahn asked the City Attorney if the Council could adopt the amended ordinance now; the City Attorney replied yes.

Councilman Jahn: I make such a motion now and not wait until next week.

The City Attorney read the ordinance.

Councilman Jahn: That is what I want. I wish them to have to abide by all sections, a, b, and c.

Mr. Remelmeyer: No license fee should be charged to any local merchant?

Councilman Jahn: That is my motion. That is what I want.

Motion seconded by Councilman Bradford.

Mayor Isen moved that section 16.67.1 shall provide that the license fee for distribution of handbills be \$50.

Motion seconded by Councilman Beasley.

Mr. Whitacre asked if this were a flat fee of \$50.

Mayor Isen said to adopt and amend section 16.67.1 by providing a \$50 license fee.

Motion and amendment seconded by Councilman Beasley.

Councilman Bradford asked Mr. Whitacre if the fee was set up at \$5 a day per person, not to exceed \$25 and not to apply to local merchants, and requested this be changed to \$50 a day to outside contractors. He asked how many can outside people have.

Mayor Isen said it made no difference; reducing the fee will open the door to litter.

Motion failed by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley. NOES: COUNCILMEN: Blount, Bradford, Drale, Jahn. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Benstead. Mayor Isen said he would vote YES on this.

~~** Councilman Drale moved for adoption of Ordinance 994 and all other Resolutions and Ordinances presented this evening.~~

Motion seconded by Councilman Jahn.

Mr. Remelmeyer asked if the Council wanted the Ordinance with

** Councilman Drale moved that after the correct number had been given in each instance and the title read, further reading of all Resolutions and Ordinances presented at this meeting be waived. After July 15, 1958 being seconded by Councilman Jahn, this motion was Council Minutes ordered carried *(See minutes 7/22/58 page 1)*

Mr. Jahn's amendment.

Mayor Isen: Yes.

Councilman Drale: With Paragraph C in Mr. Jahn's motion.

Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Mayor Isen: I am voting YES with this explanation: It is a step forward in control but I think the license fee is too low.

Councilman Jahn said he expects control but Mayor Isen felt he would not get it.

Mr. Whitacre said if people call in we will run it down immediately and get cooperation.

Mayor Isen declared a five minutes recess at 6:25 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 6:30 p.m.

3. C. B. Afflerbaugh, President-Manager, Los Angeles County Fair Association, requesting permission to place banners across streets in Torrance.

There were no objections, so ordered.

4. Louis J. Kroeger and Associates, re contract for Personnel Services, with recommendation of Civil Service Board and City Manager attached.

Councilman Jahn moved to concur with the recommendation of the City Manager.

Motion seconded by Councilman Bradford, no objections, so ordered.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY ATTORNEY:

1. Memorandum from City Attorney re. bidding procedure.

Councilman Jahn moved to concur with the last paragraph and the City Attorney is to present the resolution.

Motion seconded by Councilman Drale, no objections, so ordered.

2. Communication from Newlin, Tackabury & Johnston re. estimate of the amount of fees for legal services in Dominguez Water Corporation litigation.

4. Statement from Newlin, Tackabury & Johnston re. Dominguez Water Corporation.

6. Communication from City Attorney re. employment of Messrs. Catterlin and Limon.

There was some discussion re. manner in which the statements were submitted. The Council felt they would prefer to have monthly, rather than computed, statements.

Councilman Drale moved to pay the attorney on the Dominguez-Torrance litigation.

Motion seconded by Councilman Blount, unanimously carried by roll call vote.

Councilman Drale moved that the Council receive a monthly statement from Tackabury, until the case is closed.

Motion seconded by Councilman Beasley.

Mayor Isen objected to "until the case is closed" - just a monthly statement.

Councilman Drale amended his motion to that, and it was seconded by Councilman Beasley. There were no objections, so ordered.

Councilman Jahn pointed out that there was a set fee for services and moved that after the Public Utilities Commission hearing and actual findings before the Commission, then it should come back to Council for review, then back to them.

Motion seconded by Councilman Drale, no objections, so ordered.

Councilman Beasley moved to concur with the request of Mr. Stanley Remelmeyer to employ Charles Catterlin and Rudolph Limon, attorneys-at-law, to aid in the Dominguez litigation.

Motion seconded by Councilman Drale, no objections, so ordered.

3. Communication from James M. Hall re. charges for legal services rendered for and on behalf of the City.

Councilman Jahn moved that the Council accept the opinion and concur with the action of Mr. Hall set forth in Paragraph 4 of Item H3, and ordered this to be filed, and take up Item H7.

Mayor Isen said a statement from Wooley & Wooley had been on the agenda, and payment had been ordered. The record was ordered corrected to show this. (Minutes of 7/22/58 Page 2)

Motion seconded by Councilman Bradford, no objections, carried.

7. Communication from City Attorney re. settlement of Len Construction Company case.

Councilman Jahn moved that Mr. Hall be authorized to settle the litigation with Len Construction Company for the said sum.

Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

8. Opinion re. requiring owners of commercial properties to submit the intended use of such property to the City Council for approval.

Councilman Drale moved that this be filed as a matter of record.

Motion seconded by Councilman Beasley, no objections, so ordered.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM BUILDING DEPARTMENT:

1. Rubbercraft Corporation, resubmitting request to erect sign on their property at 220th and Border Avenue, together with comment of Lee Schlens, Supt. of Building.

James F. Abbott, 444 Cerritos Drive, Long Beach, explained that the company wants to build a sign on their property 10'6" x 24'.

Councilman Bradford said this is not a sign, it is a billboard, and there is a billboard ordinance in the City.

Mr. Schlens informed the Council that the sign has been approved by the Police Department.

Mr. Abbott said that the sign will be on steel and wooden posts.

Councilman Bradford said he was not complaining about that. An ordinance is set up in the city that we try to abide by. This is a billboard, not a sign. He further stated that he would like to see what the company was planning to put up in the way of a sign.

Mr. Abbott said it will state the name of the company and some of the items they manufacture.

Mayor Isen asked Councilman Bradford if he wants it back to the Council next week, and Mr. Bradford replied yes.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM WATER DEPARTMENT:

1. A. E. McVicar, Supt. of Water Department, resubmitting recommendation re. acceptance of bids for the one million gallon steel water tank and the three 750 G.P.M. pumps.

Mr. McVicar said that he had talked to Councilman Bradford and the bid he had recommended was under specifications.

Councilman Bradford said that when bids were submitted, Chicago Bridge and Iron Company said they would perform all necessary tests. Pittsburgh-Des Moines made no mention of it.

Mr. McVicar said if it were not in there the bids would be different. It appeared in the specifications for the tank, if not in the advertisement. It is a standard AWWA designed tank.

Councilman Blount: As a layman, what is a trepan, and will Pittsburgh do the same thing?

Mr. McVicar: Yes.

Councilman Blount moved that the Council concur with the recommendation of the Superintendent of the Water Department.

Motion seconded by Councilman Bradford, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM LICENSE DEPARTMENT:

1. Ellis Company application for license to conduct pawnshop, with recommendation of License Inspector.

Councilman Beasley moved to concur with the recommendation of the License Inspector.

Motion seconded by Councilman Drale, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CIVIL SERVICE BOARD:

1. Civil Service Board, re. Fire Engineer and Fire Captain classifications and examinations.

Councilman Drale moved to concur with the recommendation of the Civil Service Board in regard to revising the requirements for Fire Engineer and Fire Captain classifications and examinations.

Motion seconded by Councilman Jahn, carried unanimously.

RECREATION MATTERS:

1. Harry B. Van Bellehem, Director of Recreation, requesting Council approval of contract with concessionaire at V.E. Benstead Plunge.

Councilman Beasley moved to concur with the recommendation of the Recreation Director.

Motion seconded by Councilman Jahn, carried unanimously.

2. Robert S. Cramer, Chairman, Park and Recreation Commission, submitting recommendation of the Commission re. installation of sun shades at Torrance Adult Center. a. Letter from H. B. Van Bellehem, Director of Recreation, attached.

Councilman Blount moved to concur with the requests.

Motion seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried unanimously.

ENGINEERING MATTERS:

1. Report of Ronald W. Bishop, City Engineer, on the status of the extension of Arlington Avenue southerly of 190th Street.

It was reported by the City Manager that \$60,000 from the County and a certain amount from the State had been received to do what work has been done. Easements were based on condition that the work would be done at a certain time. We don't have any additional money, as such, to do these jobs.

Councilman Drale understood that we have a 60' right of way over tracks that would not interfere with valves of the Water Company. Couldn't we open that to 203rd Street?

Mr. Bishop replied that we are blocked by General Petroleum.

Councilman Drale asked if General Petroleum lines were buried and Mr. Stevens answered yes, but not very deep.

Councilman Jahn asked if the City acquired the property from them. Mr. Stevens replied that it was acquired from Dominguez and Bethlehem Steel, and we did not pay anything for the new right of way.

Mayor Isen suggested this be reviewed in the final budget and see if we can do any good.

Mr. Stevens recommended that we take the money from the General Fund, County or State, and go ahead with the work.

Councilman Drale so moved, and bring it back to the Council next week.

Mayor Isen asked if the \$13,780 was provided for and Mr. Stevens replied that it will come from County aid funds.

Motion seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried by roll call vote.

2c. RESOLUTION authorizing Mayor and City Clerk to execute that certain agreement.

City Clerk Bartlett read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 3504

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE THAT CERTAIN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT AND THE CITY OF TORRANCE COVERING THE CONSTRUCTION OF ADDITIONAL BRIDGE CROSSING FACILITIES ON THE WESTERLY SIDES OF WESTERN AVENUE AND GRAMERCY PLACE AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF APPROPRIATE ROADWAY APPROACH FACILITIES ON THE WESTERLY SIDE OF WESTERN AVENUE.

Councilman Beasley moved to dispense with further reading of the Resolution.

Motion seconded by Councilman Drale.

Councilman Beasley moved to adopt Resolution No. 3504.

Motion seconded by Councilman Bradford carried unanimously by

roll call vote, of those present. *(See minutes 7/22/58 page 1)*

PLANNING MATTERS:

- Removed from agenda - minutes 7/22/58 page 2)*
1. CASE NO. 519. Transmittal form from Planning Commission, recommending approval of request for a VARIANCE and Conditional Permit for an electronic research and development with accessory light manufacturing, submitted by Melville C. Branch, Jr. (Optionee).
 - a. Excerpt from July 2 Planning Commission Minutes.
 - b. Location sketch.
 Councilman Drale moved to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission.
 Motion seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried unanimously.

2. Waiver. L. J. Zorza, 210 Via los Altos. Recommendation of approval by the Planning Commission, submitted by Planning Director Powell, of request for waiver of front yard requirement, submitted by L. J. Zorza.

Councilman Drale moved to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission.

Motion, seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried unanimously by roll call vote, of those present *(See minutes 7/22/58 page 1)*

3. Waiver. Jack L. Powers, 3132 Winlock Road - Swimming Pool.
 - a. Recommendation of Planning Commission for approval of request for waiver of rear yard requirement, submitted by Jack L. Powers, to permit construction of a swimming pool.

Councilman Drale moved to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission.

Motion seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried unanimously by roll call vote, of those present. *(See minutes 7/22/58 page 1)*

RESOLUTIONS:

1. Taken out of order, at the beginning of the meeting.

2. City Clerk Bartlett read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 3506

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPOINTING AND AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE OF SAID CITY TO REPRESENT AND APPEAR FOR SAID CITY IN THE SMALL CLAIMS COURT OF THE SOUTH BAY JUDICIAL DISTRICT IN MATTERS PERTAINING TO SAID CITY.

Councilman Drale moved to dispense with further reading of the Resolution.

Motion seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Councilman Drale moved for adoption of Resolution 3506.

Motion seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried unanimously by roll call vote, of those present. *(See minutes 7/22/58 page 1)*

3. City Clerk Bartlett read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 3507

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST THAT CERTAIN AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND CARBOHAD CORPORATION, INC., FOR ABATEMENT OF WEEDS AND RUBBISH IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE.

Councilman Drale moved to dispense with further reading of the Resolution.

Motion seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried unanimously by roll call vote, of those present. *(See minutes 7/22/58 page 1)*

Councilman Drale moved for adoption of Resolution No. 3507.
Motion seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried unanimously by
roll call vote, of those present. *see minutes 7/22/58 page 1*

4. City Clerk Bartlett read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 3508

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE
DECLARING THAT WEEDS GROWING UPON AND IN FRONT OF, AND
RUBBISH, REFUSE AND DIRT UPON AND IN FRONT OF CERTAIN
PRIVATE PROPERTY IN THE CITY TO BE A PUBLIC NUISANCE, AND
DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO PROVIDE FOR THE ABATEMENT
THEREOF.

Mayor Isen moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 3508.
Motion seconded by Councilman Drale, carried unanimously by roll
call vote, of those present. *See Minutes 7/22/58 page 1*

5. City Clerk Bartlett read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 3509

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE
AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND
ATTEST THAT CERTAIN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE
TORRANCE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, RELATIVE TO ADVERTISING
AND PROMOTING THE CITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1958-1959.

Councilman Beasley moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 3509.
Motion seconded by Councilman Drale, carried unanimously by roll
call vote, of those present. *See Minutes 7/22/58, page 1*

6. City Clerk Bartlett read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 3510

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE
AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK OF
THE CITY OF TORRANCE TO EXECUTE THAT CERTAIN AGREEMENT
BETWEEN SAID CITY AND BERNICE DAVISON BLONK, DOING
BUSINESS AS THE SOUTH BAY HUMANE SOCIETY.

Councilman Jahn referred to the paragraph (d) on page 1 of the
Agreement, re. apprehension and impounding of dogs, etc. He asked if
that included the leash law, and why can't we get this enforced?

Mr. Remelmeyer said he did not know it was not being enforced.

Mayor Isen asked what can be done to enforce the leash law.

Mr. Remelmeyer replied that the Humane Society and Police Officers
could enforce it.

Councilman Beasley quoted the Pound as saying if a person will
coop the dogs up some way they will come up and get them.

~~Councilman Jahn reported that~~ a lady who called him got no action
from the Humane Society. If she would coop the dog up they would come
and get it. There are certain instances when complaints are received
that something needs to be done.

Councilman Beasley said the Council should notify the Pound that
if they do not answer a call when requested, we will vote differently
on the matter.

Councilman Bradford stated that the people want the leash law but
don't take care of their own animals.

Councilman Drale said if we had our own services here we might be
able to police it.

Mayor Isen asked the City Manager if a letter could be sent, quite
strong, voicing complaints.

Mr. Mansfield mentioned that three or four trucks are in the
garage.

Councilman Jahn move to adopt Resolution 3510.
 Motion seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried unanimously by
 roll call vote, of those present. *See minutes 7/2/58 page 1*

ORDINANCES:

1. Cover letter from S. E. Remelmeyer, City Attorney, submitting Ordinance relating to the transportation or disposal of garbage, rubbish or refuse.

a. FIRST READING ORDINANCE providing a license fee for the collection, transportation or disposal of garbage, refuse or rubbish, providing regulations for the granting of such license and the operations of such licensees.

City Clerk Bartlett read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 996

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE PROVIDING A LICENSE FEE FOR THE COLLECTION, TRANSPORTATION OR DISPOSAL OF GARBAGE, REFUSE OR RUBBISH, PROVIDING REGULATIONS FOR THE GRANTING OF SUCH LICENSE AND THE OPERATIONS OF SUCH LICENSEES.

Councilman Jahn moved to adopt Ordinance No. 996.
 Motion seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried unanimously by
 roll call vote, of those present. *See minutes 7/2/58 page 1*

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

1. City Manager Stevens received a notice of a meeting to be held July 24, at 7:30 P.M., Department A of the Inglewood Supreme Court, to discuss proposed Court Districts. Torrance should be represented to know what is going on there and make an appeal for a District of our own.

The City Manager, City Attorney, and Mayor Isen plan to attend.

2. Mr. Russell, Director of Public Works, asked for consideration of realignment of Yukon over the State freeway, and recommended it.

Councilman Jahn would like to have it on record so that the State will pay for realignment, and asked for favorable action from the City Council on the Engineering Department's request.

Councilman Beasley moved that the Council concur with the recommendation for realignment of Yukon as stated by Mr. Russell.

Motion seconded by Councilman Drale, carried unanimously by roll call vote, of those present. *See minutes 7/2/58 page 1*

3. Mr. Schlens stated that at Calle Arboles and Via Mesa Grande, the Planning Commission recommended change in shape of a swim pool. The problem is that waiver of the side yard was given by the Planning Commission with the understanding that he make the pool comply with certain requirements. The shape would not be able to have a rolling cover for it. He has requested reconsideration and would have to go back to the Planning Commission. He has come up with a substitute solution. Put a hand rail along side. The side yard is about 14' above the sidewalk and a great retaining wall built on the property. There will be a fence and hand rail.

Mayor Isen asked Mr. Schlens if he could recommend it, and Mr. Schlens replied yes. He has talked to Mr. Powell who has discussed it with Mr. Lynn.

Councilman Jahn moved for concurrence with this recommendation.
 Motion seconded by Councilman Drale, no objections, carried.

4. Mr. Remelmeyer, City Attorney, is drafting a building restriction ordinance in Walteria Lake and before doing so would like to have any recommendations for the ordinance next week. He is requesting certain requirements in the Griswold application for variance and if the Council has any ideas he will incorporate them.

in the ordinance.

Councilman Beasley said that the alley is about 6' below the building plan level and he doesn't favor an alley in that kind of a situation.

Mr. Bishop listed that as a possibility with a view to help the drainage north out of this area.

5. Councilman Beasley asked the City Manager for a report next week on the following: People watering lawns in the Rolling Hills section cause water to collect and run down Newton and 244th Street, making a one-inch pool of water. People cannot get out of their cars. In places it is ten feet wide and two to three inches deep. He asked if some thing could be devised to take care of this water so that it won't come down. It was even running out at Ocean and Pacific Coast Highway.

City Engineer Bishop said that he would investigate this and report next week.

6. Councilman Blount requested permission to be absent the next two meetings as he would be on vacation.

Councilman Jahn so moved.

Motion seconded by Councilman Drale, no objections, carried.

7. Councilman Jahn reported on new stop signs at certain streets, and that the lights are on at the airport. Safety conditions are much improved and people seem happier with these safety devices.

Councilman Beasley moved that the Council ask the City Manager to send a letter to the Intercity Highway Commission commending their efforts.

Motion seconded by Councilman Drale, carried unanimously.

There will be a Resolution for next week.

8. Mayor Isen reported two vacancies on the Airport Commission and said that he would ~~reappoint~~ ^{nominate} Mr. Robert C. Herrick, and ~~appoint~~ ^{nominate} Mr. Richard E. Floyd, 4010 West 184th Street to fill the vacancies, ^{on 7/22/58.}

In regard to unified mailing so that all residents will receive mail at the Torrance address, Mayor Isen stated that we can bring that about only by an overwhelming opinion in favor of it, especially in the areas affected. If the newspapers will start a campaign, perhaps a city-wide committee concentrating in the areas affected will be beneficial. Mayor Isen asked for suggestions. (See minutes 7/22/58 page 2)

Councilman Drale was sure the North Torrance Civic Improvement Association would help. Councilman Beasley named the Sportsmens Club and Homeowners Organizations.

Councilman Drale moved all bills properly audited be paid.

Motion seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried unanimously by roll call vote of those present.

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 P.M.


A. H. Bartlett, City Clerk of the City
of Torrance, California

APPROVED:


Mayor of the City of Torrance